

# Fort Loudoun

## Sustainability Features

### Historical/Community Significance

The 1,200-acre site is the location of one of the earliest British fortifications on the western frontier, built in 1756. Nearby were the principal towns of the Cherokee Nation including Tenase, namesake of our state, and Tuskegee, birthplace of the genius Sequoyah, commemorated by the Cherokee Nation's Museum. Today the fort and the 1794 Tellico Blockhouse overlook TVA's Tellico Reservoir and the Appalachian Mountains. The park maintains its historical theme with many of the programs focusing on 18<sup>th</sup> century life.

### Community Involvement

Fort Loudoun partnered with the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum to host the Great Island Festival, a series of concurrent events, designed to take visitors back in time to an 18th century Trade Faire and a Cherokee encampment. The event featured encampments of soldiers, settlers and American Indians as well artillery and musket demonstrations throughout the day in artillery and musketry, along with several battle and skirmish re-enactments. Merchants and artisans peddled food and wares reminiscent of the time.

## Moving Forward

### Energy Conservation/Waste Reduction

The Park is hoping to expand its recycling program to offer more opportunities for the public to recycle. Continuing to use updated high efficiency lighting is another way that this park can save on electricity costs.



## Park Highlights



- Located in Loudon County
- Visited by over 95,000 people in 2011
- Over 5 miles of hiking trails
- Some of the hiking trails are ADA accessible

